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Source [redacted], an activist group in the Seattle area.

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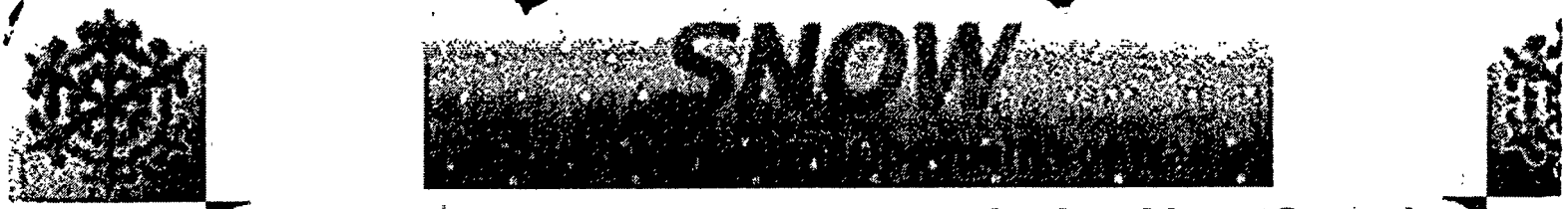

SNOW Event Listings

for All Areas

Note: This event list was recently reorganized to make events easier to find. The basic list now includes only "All Areas" events. To see neighborhood events, either select your neighborhood from the dropdown below, or click the "see full event list" link to see all events in all neighborhoods.

See events in: All Areas Go

If your area is not listed, please go to the contacts page and add yourself as a contact person for your area.

All Areas Update

Next SNOW Coalition meeting:

Monday, July 21 @ 7pm.
In Shoreline: in the Ballinger Room of the Shoreline Center, at 18560 1st Ave. NE at the intersection of 185 N and 1st Ave. NE. For directions see http://www.shorelinecenter.com/directions.php

NOTE: during the summer SNOW will have general meetings just once per month.

Next SNOW Coordinating Committee meeting:

Monday, July 28 @ 7pm (back to the regular time).
At the SNOW / WWFOR office, 225 N. 70th St. in the Woodland Park Presbyterian Church building. For directions see http://www.snowcoalition.org/site/about/directions

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Call at SEAFAIR for Nuclear-Free Port

On July 30th, local activists will stage a water-based non-violent protest against the glorification of weapons ofwar at the Seattle SEAFAIR festival and the deployment of radioactive depleted uraniium munitions on US Navy vessels. Peace activists will meet

the Navy fleet in Puget sound and enter Elliott Bay with the fleet. The fleet arrival at SEAFAIR is a public relations and recruiting event for the US Navy. The fleet is on display in downtown Seattle at tremendous cost to taxpayers at a time when cruicial social services in education, health care and transportation are being cut for lack of funds.
Glen Milner gkaajm@juno.com 206-365-7865 http://www.gzcenter.org
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Wed Jul 30, , Elliott Bay

From News to Entertainment: Television Coverage of 9/11 and The War in Iraq

UW Linguist Sandra Silberstein, author of "War of Words: Language, Politics, and 9/11" argues persuasively that 9/11 was not just about events but also about the words that shaped our understanding of and response to them. In the past 18 months she has carefully dissected America's renderings of the terrorist attacks in presidential speeches, media texts, and eyewitness accounts. Dr. Silberstein's studies suggest that times of national crisis make us vulnerable to verbal posturing (our killings are "collateral damage" and theirs are "mass murder") and how we suffer a loss of liberties in the name of "fighting for democracy".
Wed Jul 30, 7:00 PM, St. Joseph's Church Parish Hall, 18th and E Aloha, Capitol Hill, Seattle

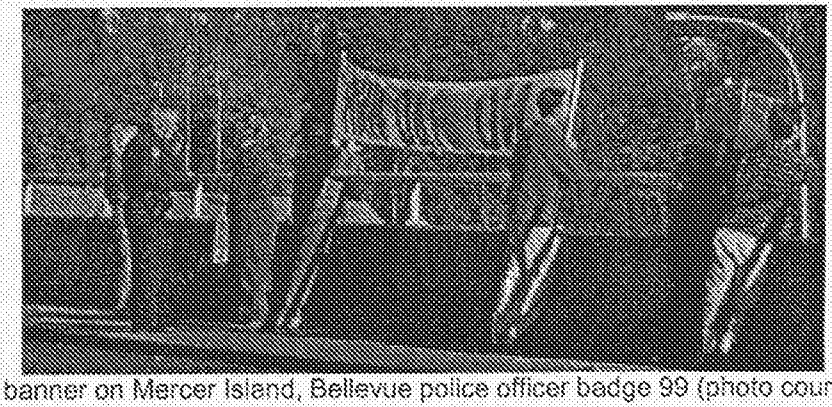
Working Toward A Multiracial Peace Movement

(Note changed date (again)!) This "workshop for white folks" will focus on ways to enrich the peace movement.
Sat Aug 2, 10 AM - 4 PM, University Friends Meeting Social Hall, 4001 9th Ave. NE (U District)

From Hiroshima to Hope

Annual Commemoration and Lantern Floating Ceremony in memory of the victims of the atomic bombs and Hiroshima and Nagasaki and other victims of violence
Wed Aug 6, 6:30 to dusk, Green Lake - Seattle, northwest shore, just south of the Bathhouse Theatre

[see full event list] [see past events too] [add an event]



Westbound I-90 banner on Mercer Island, Bellevue police officer badge 99 (photo courtesy Peacemaker Press)
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in Seattle. The Coast Guard received and stored 1,700 radioactive rounds at Pier 36 in downtown Seattle and loaded it on the cutter Mellon. When Coast Guard personnel realized they had depleted uranium on their vessel, they turned it over to the Navy's weapons storage depot at Indian Island.

The Coast Guard is not licensed by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to handle depleted uranium munitions.

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From:
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The Snohomish County Peace Action of Edmonds (http://www.peaceaction.cjb.net/) is a merge between the Lynnwood SNOW and Peace Action of Snohomish County. They support the anti-war, anti-Bush, anti-nuclear, anti-weapons movements. One of their main goals is to recruit young people and support other organizations with similar interests. This would include Not In Our Name, SNOW, and a host of other groups in the Puget Sound area. Their new website is considerably larger than their old one, and seems to be updated regularly. They have links from everything between Aljazeera.net and the Ground Zero Center for Non-Violent Action.

Meetings are held the third Friday of every month at the Edmonds Christian Church, 23010 84th Avenue West, Edmonds, at 7:00 pm. The Raging Grannies came to a recent potluck, and Glen Milner (Ground Zero) was the speaker at the May meeting. Milner's group (http://www.gzcenter.org/) is hosting training for people who plan to get arrested at the August 9-10 action at the Bangor Sub Base gates, and it reasonable to infer from the linking that some of the Edmonds group may plan to participate in the Bangor action.

Nothing in the website indicates any plans to participate in the planned action against the US Navy's Fleet Week at Sea Fair, however I do not have any information to negate that idea either. The next meeting is planned for September.

Here's a blurb from the website:

Lynnwood SNOW has merged with Peace Action of Snohomish County, so now we're ready to get organized. Come revitalize your vision for a better world. Bring your ideas (we'll brainstorm, discuss and plan). Bring food to share to sustain us through what promises to be an exciting, invigorating evening.

Here are just a few of the topics up for discussion and planning for taking action on:

Patriot Act I and Patriot Act II
Elections/Election Reform
Economy
War Tax Resistance
Civil Rights
Foreign Policy/Endless Wars
Veterans' Rights/Depleted Uranium
Media Censorship
Corporations/WTO
Our Crumbling Infrastructure: Basic Services
Politics: How To Get Involved

Organizing: Become a more efficient, effective activist

Sign up for our Talent Pool: Are you a computer nerd? Good at organizing? Writing letters? Schmoozing with the neighbors? Fundraising? Teaching? Facilitating discussions? Love to talk on the phone? Have lots of time on your hands? Or money? WE NEED YOU!!!

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE. PLEASE COME JOIN US.

Questions? Contact:
Marsha Morgan

Peace Action of Snohomish County presents:

FRIDAY MAY 30 7:30 P.M.
Edmonds Community College
Mountlake Terrace Bldg. Room 207

WAR TAX RESISTANCE

Carolyn Stevens of Nonviolent Action Community of Cascadia (NACC.INFO) will speak about how ordinary citizens can turn swords into plowshares and stop paying for an increasingly bloated military budget.

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Next Ground Zero gathering and action will be on Nagasaki Day, August 8-9, 2003.

Nagasaki Day flyer

Local Peace Activists to meet the U.S. Navy Fleet arrival at SEAFAIR on July 30 in Elliott Bay

Contact: Glen Milner (206) 365-7865 or Mary Gleysteen (360) 297-3894

Peace activists call for a Nuclear-free Port of Seattle. No nuclear warships. No nuclear or depleted uranium munitions.

Local activists will stage a water-based nonviolent protest against the glorification of weapons of war at the Seattle SEAFAIR festival and the deployment of radioactive depleted uranium munitions on U.S. Navy vessels. Peace activists will meet the U.S. Navy fleet in Puget Sound and enter Elliott Bay with the fleet.

When: July 30, 2003. SEAFAIR fleet arrives in the afternoon.
Where: Elliott Bay in downtown Seattle.

The fleet arrival at SEAFAIR is a public relations and recruiting event for the U.S. Navy. Previous years have brought nuclear Trident submarines and Navy warships used to launch Tomahawk cruise missiles in the first War on Iraq and the War on Afghanistan. The fleet is on display in downtown Seattle at tremendous cost to taxpayers at a time when crucial social services in education, health care and transportation are being cut for lack of funds.

The fleet will stay in Seattle for five days.

The Navy has reported the names of the ships in the SEAFAIR fleet will not be announced for

security reasons until several days before their arrival. In previous years the fleet has been announced in late May or early June.

The Close-In Weapons System, a gun system on almost every Navy surface vessel and on ships arriving at SEAFAIR, is capable of firing radioactive depleted uranium rounds.

Commander Sellers, of Navy Region Northwest, was recently asked if the fleet at SEAFAIR would be carrying radioactive depleted uranium munitions. She stated that she did not know if depleted uranium would be aboard the vessels and that if she did, she would probably not be able to say.

The last protest vessel to meet the SEAFAIR fleet was in August 2000. At that time the U.S. Coast Guard stopped the boat with banner proclaiming "Choose Life", and ordered it out of Elliott Bay. Activists have sought legal advice for this year.

Please see attached fact sheet

Fact Sheet: U.S. Navy Fleet arrival at SEAFAIR on July 30 in Elliott Bay

Almost every surface vessel in the U.S. Navy has the CIWS or Close-In Weapons System, which is capable of firing up to 4,500 20mm rounds per minute as a final ship defense against missiles and fighter planes. This is the gun system, according to Navy documents released in December 2002, used to fire radioactive depleted uranium rounds into prime fishing waters off the Washington State coast. The gun must be fired twice a month for testing and calibration purposes.

Depleted uranium, U-238, is a waste product of the process to enrich uranium for use in nuclear power plants and weapons production. Depleted uranium is 1.7 times as dense as lead and has a half-life of 4.5 billion years.

When a depleted uranium projectile impacts a solid surface, the pyrophoric properties of this heavy metal ignite, producing intense heat, resulting in an aerosolized radioactive release as the projectile quickly burns through the armor. The residue of this firestorm is an extremely fine ceramic uranium dust that can be spread by the wind, inhaled and absorbed into the human body, and absorbed by plants and animals, becoming part of the food chain.

In a 1995 study, the Army Environmental Policy Institute concluded, "If depleted uranium enters the body, it has a potential to generate significant medical consequences. The risks associated with depleted uranium are both chemical and radiological."

In 2000, the U.S. Department of Energy admitted that depleted uranium used in Kosovo was contaminated with "transuramic" (heavier than uranium) fission wastes from inside nuclear reactors. Munitions used were spiked with plutonium, neptunium and americium.

Documents recently released through the Freedom of Information Act show gross negligence of the U.S. Navy in handling depleted uranium rounds. In August 2001 the Navy mistakenly shipped 20mm depleted uranium rounds instead of tungsten rounds to the U.S. Coast Guard

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